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SUBJECT: ECE - AD HOC MEETING ON INNOVATION IN ENERGY
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EXPERTS FROM 14 COUNTRIES ATTENDED SUBJECT MEETING (23-25 OCTOBER) TO DRAW UP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ECE SENIOR ADVISERS ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST MADE AT THEIR SECOND SESSION IN 1973. THE EXPERTS GAVE RUN-DOWN OF NATIONAL PROGRAMS AND MADE SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER ACTIVITY BY ECE. US EXPERTS (HEMILY AND RUBIN) INFORMED GROUP OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN US PROGRAMS FOR NEW APPROACHES TO ENERGY PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION WITH EMPHASIS ON CREATION OF ERDA.

CONCLUSIONS REACHED BY EXPERTS AS FOLLOWS:

(1) RESEARCH MATERIALS, STUDIES AND STATISTICS PREPARED
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FOR EXPERT MEETING SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO SENIOR ADVISERS

FOR IN-DEPTH EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON NATIONAL EXPERIENCE
AND APPROACHES TO FUTURE COOPERATION UNDER ECE AUSPICES.

(2) MANAGEMENT OF ENERGY R & D PROGRAMS IS A PRIORITY
AREA. AN ANALYTICAL FRAMEWORK SHOULD BE MADE TO ASSIST
GOVERNMENTS IN FRAMING R & D ENERGY POLICY. A STUDY
OF METHODS AND CRITERIA FOR CHOOSING AMONG CONVENTIONAL
AND NON-CONVENTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES MIGHT BE UNDERTAKEN,
WHICH COULD INCLUDE A SURVEY OF COUNTRY PROGRAMS IN SUCH
FIELDS AS FOSSIL FUELS, NUCLEAR ENERGY, NON-CONVENTIONAL
SOURCES, ENERGY CARRIERS, ENERGY UTILIZATION AND ENERGY
SYSTEMS.

(3) THE SENIOR ADVISERS MIGHT WISH TO SPONSOR A STUDY
ON TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS IN THE ENERGY SECTOR
WHICH MIGHT RESULT IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE
RESEARCH ARRANGEMENTS. SEMINARS COULD BE HELD RELATING
TO TECHNOLOGIES AT AN EARLY STAGE OF COMMERCIAL
APPLICATION. SUBJECTS OF THE SEMINARS MIGHT INCLUDE
CERTAIN PRACTICAL PROBLEM AREAS NOTED BY THE EXPERTS;
THE SECRETARIAT COULD BE REQUESTED TO CARRY OUT A MORE
THOROUGH EXAMINATION OF PRIORITY AREAS APPROPRIATE FOR
POSSIBLE SEMINARS. THE SENIOR ADVISERS MIGHT MAKE A
CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY IN THE FORM OF A SEMINAR ON THE DEVELOPMENT
OF TECHNOLOGIES FOR UTILIZING INDIGENOUS SOURCES OF
ENERGY RELEVANT TO LDCS.

(4) A CLEARING-HOUSE FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION MIGHT
BE SET UP UNDER ECE.

COMMENT. CONCLUSIONS OF THE MEETING WILL BE CONSIDERED
BY THE SENIOR ADVISERS AT THEIR NEXT SESSION (9-13
DECEMBER). CONSIDERATION MOST LIKELY WILL BE GIVEN TO
HOLDING A SEMINAR IN ONE OF THE PRIORITY AREAS SET FORTH
BY THE EXPERTS. THE SENIOR ADVISERS WILL ALSO PROBABLY
DECIDE WHETHER THIS EXPERT GROUP SHOULD BE CONTINUED
IN SOME FORM. ABRAMS

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